Polluting units in Delhi

† *189. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware the polluting units are still operating in Delhi:

(b) if so, the details in this regard:

(c) the number of polluting units out of these which are in the public and in the private sector, separately; and

(d) by when all the polluting units would be shut down?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (d) Most of the industrial units located in Delhi are in the private sector and fall in the category of small scale units. There are four large power plants in the public sector. As per information available, there are a total of 1,26,218 industrial units out of which 97,411 are located In non-conforming areas and remaining 28,807 in conforming areas. 39,000 units have been identified as polluting units. Till now 4725 polluting units have been closed. As for the remaining units in conforming areas the Delhi Pollution Control Committee has so far issued public notice to all such industrial units/establishments to obtain consent to operate under the Water (Preventation and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

Killing of Wild Animals

*190. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been an increasing trend in the killing of Wild animals in forests in the country for the last three years;

(b) if so, the State-wise details of cases filed against poachers for killing of tigers, leopards and panthers in the country during the last five years; and

(c) the details of steps proposed to be taken by Government to protect the Wild animals?

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